

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:	§	Docket No. 31132.129 / PC877.19
Kelly et al.	§	
Serial No.: 10/600,052	§	Customer No. 46333
Filed: June 20, 2003	§	Group Art Unit: 3733
For: WEAR-RESISTANT	§	Confirmation No. 6026
ENDOPROSTHETIC DEVICES	§	Examiner: Philogene, Pedro

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**  
**MAILED DECEMBER 3, 2007**

**I. Introductory Remarks**

The present paper is being submitted in response to the Office Action mailed December 3, 2007.

No fees are believed necessary for consideration of the present paper. However, if any fees, including extension of time fees are necessary, the extension of time is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including those for the extension of time, to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

The **Listing of Claims** begins on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 7.